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1. CONSIDERATION FOR CHANGING 1970 OVERFLIGHT ARRANGEMENT STILL UNDER STUDY BY SWISS. MULTI-DEPARTMENT CONFERENCE ON SUBJECT SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 19 AND DECISION UNLIKELY BEFORE APRIL 1. MR GULDIMANN, DIRECTOR FEDERAL AIR OFFICE, VERY SYMPATHETIC OUR VIEWS, BUT CAN GIVE NO DEFINITIVE ANSWER UNTIL POLITICAL DEPARTMENT RESOLVES PROBLEM. HE HAS, HOWEVER, GIVEN PERSONAL ASSURANCES THAT SHOULD USAF RECOMMENCE FLIGHTS UNDER THE 1970 AGREEMENT, THE SWISS WILL NOT EXERCISE THE INSPECTION RIGHT, NOR WILL THEY ASK TO RETURN TO RHEIN-MAIN UNTIL THE QUESTION IS RESOLVED.

2. BEARING IN MIND THAT DECISION TO STOP FLIGHTS WAS A UNILATERAL
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USG DECISION AND THERE IS NO SWISS RESTRICTIONAO USAF OVER-

FLIGHTS, EMBASSY STRONGLY RECOMMENDS THAT OVERFLIGHT PROCEDURES
AS OUTLINED IN THE 1970 ARRANGEMENT BEGIN IMMEDIATELY. ONCE
REQUEST FOR BLOC OVERFLIGHT RECEIVED, OVERFLIGHTS COULD RESUME
WITHIN TWO DAYS.
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